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Search Notes

Examiner Reidel:

The specific requirements of this case—applying a growth-reducing current of electricity to at least a portion of the growth plate—are not found in the literature, except for the published article of the inventors Dodge and Bowen.

There is an abundance of experimental literature describing the application of electricity to encourage bone growth, however.



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12/3,K/1 (Item 1 from file: 65) DIALOG(R) File 65: Inside Conferences (c) 2006 BLDSC all rts. reserv. All rts. reserv. INSIDE CONFERENCE ITEM ID: CN051623506 04953654 AFFECTING GROWTH ARREST BY ELECTRICAL CURRENT IN RABBIT GROWTH PLATES : A MODEL OF EPIPHYSIODESIS Oh, C.-W.; Tokmakova, K.; Aroojis, A.; Li, R.; Potter, K.; Simon, B.; Bowen, J. R.; Dodge, G. R. CONFERENCE: Orthopaedic Research Society-Annual meeting; 49th TRANSACTIONS OF THE ANNUAL MEETING-ORTHOPAEDIC RESEARCH SOCIETY , 2003; VOL 49; SECT 1 P: 21 ORS, 2003 ISSN: 0149-6433 LANGUAGE: English DOCUMENT TYPE: Conference Extended abstracts CONFERENCE SPONSOR: Orthopaedic Research Society CONFERENCE LOCATION: New Orleans, LA 2003; Feb (200302) (200302) AFFECTING GROWTH ARREST BY ELECTRICAL CURRENT IN RABBIT GROWTH PLATES : A MODEL OF EPIPHYSIODESIS



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(Item 3 from file: 350) DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX (c) 2006 The Thomson Corp. All rts. reserv. 016206177 **Image available** WPI Acc No: 2004-364063/200434 Related WPI Acc No: 2004-727518; 2005-037850 XRAM Acc No: C04-137352 XRPX Acc No: N04-291208 Bone screw for partial insertion into bone and/or cartilage, comprises lower portion including interface(s) that is designed to partially current and/or medical substance, to or adjacent discharge electrical to bone and/or cartilage Patent Assignee: SPINECO INC (SPIN-N) Inventor: BISCUP R S Number of Countries: 106 Number of Patents: 003 Patent Family: Patent No Date Applicat No Kind Date Week Kind US 20040073221 A1 20040415 US 2002269601 Α 20021011 200434 B WO 200432771 A1 20040422 WO 2003US31277 Α 20031002 200434 AU 2003299909 A1 20040504 AU 2003299909 Α 20031002 Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 2002269601 A 20021011 Patent Details: Patent No Kind Lan Pq Main IPC Filing Notes 22 A61B-017/56 US 20040073221 A1 WO 200432771 A1 E A61B-017/56 Designated States (National): AE AG AL AM AT AU AZ BA BB BG BR BY BZ CA CH CN CO CR CU CZ DE DK DM DZ EC EE EG ES FI GB GD GE GH GM HR HU ID IL IN IS JP KE KG KP KR KZ LC LK LR LS LT LU LV MA MD MG MK MN MW MX MZ NI NO NZ OM PG PH PL PT RO RU SC SD SE SG SK SL SY TJ TM TN TR TT TZ UA UG US UZ VC VN YU ZA ZM ZW Designated States (Regional): AT BE BG CH CY CZ DE DK EA EE ES FI FR GB GH GM GR HU IE IT KE LS LU MC MW MZ NL OA PT RO SD SE SI SK SL SZ TR TZ UG ZM ZW AU 2003299909 A1 A61B-017/56 Based on patent WO 200432771 Abstract (Basic): US 20040073221 A1 NOVELTY - A bone screw for partial insertion into a bone and/or cartilage, comprises a head (20) and a lower portion (30) connected to the head, the lower portion including at least one interface that is designed to partially discharge an electrical current and/or a

medical substance, to or adjacent to the bone and/or cartilage.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is also included for partially inserting a connector into a bone and/or cartilage comprising selecting a connector that includes a bone screw, nail or post having a head and a lower portion connected to the head; at least partially inserting the connector into the bone and/or cartilage; and discharging current , and/or the medical substance, to promote the **electrical** healing of the bone and/or cartilage about the connector.

USE - For partial insertion into a bone and/or cartilage (claimed).

ADVANTAGE - The bone screw reduces the occurrence of post-operative failure due to infection and/or improper healing about the pedicle screw (10).

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure is a partial perspective view of the front side pedicle screw.

Pedicle screw (10)

Head (20)

Lower portion (30)

Access opening (38)

Mechanical mechanism (40) Pump (42) pp; 22 DwgNo 1/8

Technology Focus:

TECHNOLOGY FOCUS - INSTRUMENTATION AND TESTING - Preferred Component: The lower portion includes at least one cavity that contains at least one electrical mechanism, at least one mechanical mechanism (40), and/or at least one medical substance. The cavity includes at least one access opening (38) on an outer surface of the lower portion. The mechanical mechanism includes a pump (42). The electrical mechanism includes a battery, and/or a generator, or a microchip controller. The bone screw includes a cap or cover that at least partially obstructs the access opening. The head and/or lower portion at least partially includes a coating material including a compound that facilitates in the insertion and/or securing of the lower portion in the bone and/or cartilage; promotes and/or inhibits bone and/or other tissue growth; inhibits rejection of the bone screw; inhibits rejection of components connected to and/or located adjacent to the bone screw; reduces infection; reduces inflammation; reduces pain; promotes healing of surrounding tissue; combats cancer and/or other diseases; combats biological abnormalities; and/or functions as a location and/or visual indicator.

PHARMACEUTICALS - Preferred Component: The medical substance includes antithrombogenic agent, steroid, thioprotese inhibitor, antimicrobial, antibiotic, tissue plasma activator, monoclonal antibody, anti fibrosis compound, hormone, growth factor, anti-mitotic agent, immunosuppressive agent, sense or antisense oligo-nucleotide, nucleic acid analogue, inhibitor of transcription factor activity, anti-neoplastic compound, chemotherapeutic compound, radioactive agent, growth factor, antiplatelet compound, antitabolite compound, anti-inflammatory compound, anticoagulant compound, antimitotic compound, antioxidant, antimetabolite compound, anti-migratory agent, anti-matrix compound, anti-vital compound, anti-proliferative, anti-fungal compound, anti-protozoal compound, human tissue; animal tissue; synthetic tissue; human cells; animal cells; synthetic cells; bone-stimulation matter; bone-growth matter; and/or bone activating matter

Title Terms: BONE; SCREW; INSERT; BONE; CARTILAGE; COMPRISE; LOWER; PORTION; INTERFACE; DESIGN; DISCHARGE; ELECTRIC; CURRENT; MEDICAL; SUBSTANCE; ADJACENT; BONE; CARTILAGE

Derwent Class: B07; P31; S05

International Patent Class (Main): A61B-017/56

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(Item 1 from file: 73)
DIALOG(R) File 73: EMBASE
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              EMBASE No: 1981051319
  The effect of direct electrical
                                        current stimulation on the
bone/porous metallic implant interface
  Salman N.N.; Park J.B.
  Dept. Interdiscip. Stud., Coll. Engin., Clemson Univ., Clemson, S.C.
  29631 United States
  Biomaterials (BIOMATERIALS) (United Kingdom) 1980, 1/4 (209-213)
  CODEN: BIMAD
  DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal
  LANGUAGE: ENGLISH
  Cylindrical porous plugs (6.35 mm dia. 11 mm long, average pore size of
190 mum dia.) made of electrically conductive Co-Cr-Mo surgical alloy
powders were implanted in the canine femur. An electrical stimulation device (mercury battery, 1.35 V, connected in series with a 150 kOmega resistor) was attached to all implants directly. The in vivo current was
about 8 muA for the stimulated implants while no current was delivered for
the control ones. After predetermined implant periods, tensile test
specimens were made to measure the interfacial strenth between bone and
implants. Some samples were used for histological observations. The present
results show that in vivo electrical stimulation substantially increased
the strength of the union between porous implants and bone when compared to
the controls up to 12 weeks. Histological observations show that the
increased strength is mainly due to the increased new bone formation in the
pores of implants. It was also observed that the fractional callus volume
in the intramedullary canal for the stimulated samples retained more than
the controls after reaching maximum at 3 weeks.
DRUG DESCRIPTORS:
*chromium; *cobalt; *molybdenum
MEDICAL DESCRIPTORS:
*bone graft; *.osteosynthesis; *prosthesis fixation electricity; electrostimulation; femur; bone; animal experiment; dog
CAS REGISTRY NO.: 16065-83-1, 7440-47-3 (chromium); 7440-48-4 (cobalt);
    7439-98-7 (molybdenum)
SECTION HEADINGS:
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      Orthopedic Surgery
       Drug Literature Index
  027
       Biophysics, Bioengineering and Medical Instrumentation
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DIALOG(R) File 73: EMBASE
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00302196
              EMBASE No: 1975074522
  Investigations on the healing of bone fractures under the influence of
electric direct current
  UNTERSUCHUNGEN ZUR KNOCHENBRUCHHEILUNG UNTER EINFLUSS VON ELEKTRISCHEM
GLEICHSTROM
  Bauer U.; Kinzl L.; Wolter D.
  Abt. Unfallchir., Dept. Chir., Univ. Ulm Germany
  Zeitschrift fur Orthopadie und Ihre Grenzgebiete ( Z. ORTHOP. IHRE
  GRENZGEB. ) 1974, 112/3 (402-407)
  CODEN: ZOIGA
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DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal

LANGUAGE: GERMAN

Concerning the healing of bone after osteotomy and osteosynthesis by plates comparative investigations were carried out on the forelegs of sheep, with and without subjecting the osteotomy area to the direct influence of electric direct current (DC). Within 8 wk after osteosynthesis without succeeding application of electricity, there developed within an appropriate time extensive osseous consolidation, as shown radiologically and histologically. On the other hand, in all animals of those groups subjected to DC, signs of local inflammation appeared about the wound area 3 to 4 days after the operation. Further observation revealed signs of a progressive osteolysis caused by superinfection. The study concludes (contrary to the reports from other groups of investigators) that the direct application of DC potentials in the arrangement used by the authors (plate = cathode) does not lead to the desired aim of promoting the healing of bone fractures.

MEDICAL DESCRIPTORS:

*direct current; * electricity; *electrostimulation; *fracture; * fracture healing; * osteosynthesis; *osteotomy; *pathology; *sheep injury; theoretical study SECTION HEADINGS:

- 033 Orthopedic Surgery
- 027 Biophysics, Bioengineering and Medical Instrumentation
- 019 Rehabilitation and Physical Medicine
- 005 General Pathology and Pathological Anatomy

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DIALOG(R) File 144: Pascal

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04057862 PASCAL No.: 75-0000900

UNTERSUCHUNGEN ZUR KNOCHENBRUCHHEILUNG UNTER EINFLUSS VON ELEKTRISCHEM GLEICHSTROM

(ETUDES SUR LA CONSOLIDATION DES FRACTURES SOUS L'INFLUENCE DU COURANT ELECTRIQUE CONTINU)

BAUER U; KINZL L; WOLTER D

DEP. CHIR., UNIV. ULM, 7900 ULM, D

Journal: Z. ORTHOP. GRENZGEB., 1974, 112 (3) 402-407

Availability: CNRS-3853 No. of Refs.: 27 REF.

Document Type: P (SERIAL) ; A (ANALYTIC)

Country of Publication: FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

Language: GERMAN Summary Language: ENGLISH

OSTEOTOMIE ET OSTEOSYNTHESE SUR LA PATTE ANTERIEURE DU MOUTON SOUMISE OU NON A L'INFLUENCE DIRECTE DU COURANT ELECTRIQUE CONTINU. CHEZ LES ANIMAUX SOUMIS AU COURANT ELECTRIQUE, SIGNES LOCAUX D'INFLAMMATION DES LE 3-4E JOUR, PUIS OSTEOLYSE PROGRESSIVE PAR SURINFECTION

English Descriptors: ORTHOPEDIC SURGERY; CONSOLIDATION; DIRECT CURRENT; ELECTRICAL CURRENTS; FRACTURES; OSTEOSYNTHESIS; EXPERIMENTAL DISEASE; VARIOUS TREATMENTS; TRAUMA

English Generic Descriptors: BONE AND JOINT DISEASES

French Descriptors: FRACTURE; PATHOLOGIE EXPERIMENTALE; OSTEOSYNTHESE; COURANT CONTINU; CONSOLIDATION; MOUTON; TRAUMATISME; CHIRURGIE ORTHOPEDIQUE; TRAITEMENT DIVERS; COURANT ELECTRIQUE; MAMMIFERE; RESULTAT French Generic Descriptors: PATHOLOGIE OSTEOARTICULAIRE

Classification Codes: 357A03

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DIALOG(R) File 144: Pascal

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02261356 PASCAL No.: 79-0200002

DIE ANREGUNG DER KALLUSBILDUNG DURCH INTERFERENZSTROEME

(LA STIMULATION DE LA FORMATION DU COL PAR DES COURANTS D'INTERFERENCE)
GUTTLER P; KLEDITZSCH J

MED. AKAD. CARL GUSTAV CARUS DRESDEN ORTHOPAEDISCHES KLIN., DRESDEN 8019,GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC

Journal: DTSCHE GESUNDH.-WES., 1979, 34 (2) 91-94

Availability: CNRS-6225

No. of Refs.: 22 REF.

Document Type: P (SERIAL) ; A (ANALYTIC)

Country of Publication: GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC

Language: GERMAN Summary Language: RUSSIAN; ENGLISH

APPLICATION DE COURANTS DE MOYENNE FREQUENCE SUR DES OSTEOTOMIES TIBIALES REALISEES CHEZ DES LAPINS, ET FIXEES PAR DES PLAQUES AO. A LA RADIOGRAPHIE, FORMATION PLUS RAPIDE ET PLUS IMPORTANTE DU COL

English Descriptors: ORTHOPEDIC SURGERY; CONSOLIDATION; ELECTRICAL
CURRENTS; EXPERIMENTAL STUDY; LAGOMORPHA; RABBIT; MAMMALIA; BONE;
OSTEOSYNTHESIS; OSTEOTOMY; PLATES; RADIOGRAPHY; STIMULATION; TIBIA;

VARIOUS TREATMENTS

English Generic Descriptors: BONE AND JOINT DISEASES

French Descriptors: OSTEOTOMIE; TIBIA; OSTEOSYNTHESE; CONSOLIDATION; STIMULATION; COURANT ELECTRIQUE; ETUDE EXPERIMENTALE; PLAQUE; LAPIN; RADIOGRAPHIE; OS; CHIRURGIE ORTHOPEDIQUE; TRAITEMENT DIVERS; LAGOMORPHA; MAMMALIA

French Generic Descriptors: PATHOLOGIE OSTEOARTICULAIRE

Classification Codes: 357A03

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DIALOG(R) File 144: Pascal

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01587244 PASCAL No.: 77-0422306

ETUDE EXPERIMENTALE DES POSSIBILITES DE STIMULATION ELECTRIQUE DU DEVELOPPEMENT DU CAL OSSEUX.

BAUX S; FOURNIER J; SEROUSSI S; ORCEL L

LAB. PHYSIOL., U.E.R. CRETEIL

Journal: J. CHIR., 1977, 113 (5-6) 551-558

Availability: CNRS-3044

Document Type: P (SERIAL) ; A (ANALYTIC)

Country of Publication: FRANCE

Language: FRENCH Summary Language: ENGLISH

EXPERIENCES SUR CHIENS. DANS CERTAINES CONDITIONS L'OSTEOSYNTHESE DIRECTE ET L'ELECTROSTIMULATION PEUVENT ETRE ASSOCIEES.

English Descriptors: CALLUS; DOG; ORTHOPEDIC SURGERY; ELECTRICAL

CURRENTS; FRACTURES; OSTEOSYNTHESIS; EXPERIMENTAL DISEASE; STIMULATION; VARIOUS TREATMENTS; TRAUMA

English Generic Descriptors: TRAUMATOLOGY

French Descriptors: FRACTURE; PATHOLOGIE EXPERIMENTALE; STIMULATION; CAL; COURANT ELECTRIQUE; OSTEOSYNTHESE; CHIEN; TRAITEMENT DIVERS; TRAUMATISME; CHIRURGIE ORTHOPEDIQUE; MAMMIFERE; CARNIVORE
French Generic Descriptors: TRAUMATOLOGIE

Classification Codes: 357A04A

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01034510 PASCAL No.: 76-0235830

TRAUMA-SCHOCK

(TRAUMATISME-CHOC)

Journal: ARCH. (LANGENBECKS) CHIR., 1976 263-331

Availability: CNRS-7605 No. of Refs.: DISSEM.

Document Type: P (SERIAL); C (CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS) ; A (ANALYTIC)

Country of Publication: FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

Note: SUPPL.; (CHIR. FORUM'76 EXP. KLIN. FORSCH. KONGR. DTSCH. GES. CHIR. 93; MUENCHEN; 1976)

Language: GERMAN Summary Language: ENGLISH

PLUSIEURS ARTICLES SONT CONSACRES AU TRAITEMENT DES PSEUDARTHROSES PAR OSTEOSYNTHESE, CHAMP MAGNETIQUE, COURANT ELECTRIQUE

English Descriptors: REVIEW; MAGNETIC FIELD; ORTHOPEDIC SURGERY; SHOCK; CONGRESS; ELECTRICAL CURRENTS; FRACTURES; HUMAN; OSTEOSYNTHESIS; PSEUDOARTHROSIS; VARIOUS TREATMENTS; TRAUMA English Generic Descriptors: TRAUMATOLOGY

French Descriptors: CHOC; TRAUMATISME; CONGRES; PSEUDARTHROSE; FRACTURE; OSTEOSYNTHESE; COURANT ELECTRIQUE; CHAMP MAGNETIQUE; HOMME; CHIRURGIE ORTHOPEDIQUE; TRAITEMENT DIVERS; ARTICLE SYNTHESE
French Generic Descriptors: TRAUMATOLOGIE

Classification Codes: 357A04

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01033649 PASCAL No.: 76-0234919

NEUE WEGE ZUR BEHANDLUNG VON KAHNBEIN-PSEUDOARTHROSEN DER HAND (NOUVELLES VOIES DANS LE TRAITEMENT DES PSEUDARTHROSES DU SCAPHOIDE DE LA MAIN)

FELDMEIER C; WILHELM K; HAUER G

CHIR. KLIN., UNIV. MUENCHEN,8 MUENCHEN 2

Journal: AKTUELLE CHIR., 1976, 11 (2) 81-92

Availability: CNRS-16088

No. of Refs.: 24 REF.

Document Type: P (SERIAL) ; A (ANALYTIC)

Country of Publication: FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

Language: GERMAN Summary Language: ENGLISH

CLINIQUE, CAUSES DES PSEUDARTHROSES. RADIOLOGIE. RAPPEL DES DIFFERENTES TECHNIQUES CHIRURGICALES. TRAITEMENT ELECTRODYNAMIQUE DANS 3 FRACTURES RECENTES DU SCAPHOIDE ET 10 PSEUDARTHROSES; CONSOLIDATION OSSEUSE APRES 10 A 14 SEMAINES, UNE STYLOIDECTOMIE COMPLEMENTAIRE EST NECESSAIRE EN CAS DE DOULEURS

English Descriptors: ORTHOPEDIC SURGERY; **ELECTRICAL CURRENTS**; FRACTURES; HUMAN; HAND; **OSTEOSYNTHESIS**; PSEUDOARTHROSIS; OS NAVICULARE CARPI; TREATMENT; VARIOUS TREATMENTS; TRAUMA
English Generic Descriptors: BONE AND JOINT DISEASES

French Descriptors: FRACTURE; SCAPHOIDE CARPIEN; PSEUDARTHROSE; OSTEOSYNTHESE; TRAITEMENT; COURANT ELECTRIQUE; HOMME; TRAUMATISME; MAIN; CHIRURGIE ORTHOPEDIQUE; TRAITEMENT DIVERS
French Generic Descriptors: PATHOLOGIE OSTEOARTICULAIRE

Classification Codes: 357A02B

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00345030 PASCAL No.: 73-0001972

BESCHLEUNIGUNG DER KNUECHERNEN HEILUNG VON OSTEOTOMIEN AN SCHAFEN DURCH ELEKTRISCHEN STROM

(ACCELERATION DE LA CICATRISATION OSSEUSE DES OSTEOTOMIES DIAPHYSAIRES PAR LE COURANT ELECTRIQUE)

WEIGERT M; WERHAHN C; MUELLING M

OSKAR-HELENE-HEIM, 1000 BERLIN

Journal: Z. ORTHOP. GRENZGEB., 1972, 110 (6) 959-962

Availability: CNRS-3853 Document Type: P (SERIAL)

Country of Publication: FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

Language: GERMAN

CHEZ L'ANIMAL APRES OSTEOTOMIE ET OSTEOSYNTHESE PAR PLAQUE, IMPLANTATION OSSEUSE D'ELECTRODE EN PLATINE-IRIDIUM ET ETUDE DE LA MINERALISATION PAR SCINTIGRAPHIE AU SUP 87M SR

English Descriptors: **ELECTRICAL CURRENTS**; FRACTURES; **OSTEOSYNTHESIS** English Generic Descriptors: BONE AND JOINT DISEASES

French Descriptors: FRACTURE; PATHOLOGIE EXP; OSTEOSYNTHESE; SCINTIGRAPHIE OS; STRONTIUM 87M; CONSOLIDATION FRACTURE; COURANT ELECTRIQUE; PHYSIOPATHOLOGIE; EXPLORATION ISOTOPIQUE; MODIFIE PAR French Generic Descriptors: PATHOLOGIE OSTEOARTICULAIRE

Classification Codes: 357A03

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1996:722980 HCAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 126:27115

TITLE: Calcitonin reduces steady ionic current of the growth

plate

AUTHOR(S): Villa, Isabella; Sosio, Corrado; De Ponti, Alessandro;

Benelli, Fiorenza Dondi; Rubinacci, Alessandro

CORPORATE SOURCE: Unita Metabolica dell'Osso, Istituto Scientifico H San

Raffaele, Milan, 20132, Italy

SOURCE: Electro- and Magnetobiology (1996), 15(3), 175-182

CODEN: ELAGE9; ISSN: 1061-9526

PUBLISHER: Dekker
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal
LANGUAGE: English

AB We tested the hypothesis that calcitonin regulates the elec. current assocd. with ionic exchanges occurring at the growth plate. For this purpose, we measured the net outward current driven by the growth plate of metatarsal bones of weanling mice by means of a voltage-sensitive probe system vibrating in two dimensions. The c.d. was reduced by calcitonin in a dose-dependent manner. Maximal redn. (.apprx.40%) was obtained at a calcitonin concn. of 5 IU/mL. No effect was obsd. for calcitonin concns. .ltoreq.0.05 IU/mL. When chloride was removed from the medium, calcitonin was less effective in reducing the net c.d. Neither calcitonin gene-related peptide nor clodronate was able to induce any measurable change of the c.d. Our results indicate that calcitonin acts on the ionic exchanges occurring at the growth plate and suggest that endogenous elec. signals in bone might be modulated by hormones.

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IT Electric current

(biol.; calcitonin reduces steady ionic current of weanling mouse growth plate)

IT Bone

(growth plate; calcitonin reduces steady ionic current of weanling mouse growth plate)

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L7	1279 S L6(5W)(REDUC### OR SLOW### OR INHIBIT### OR DECREAS### OR AB
L8	191108 S (ELEC OR ELECTRIC OR ELECTRICAL OR ELECTRICITY) (3W) CURRENT#
L9	1 S L7 AND L8